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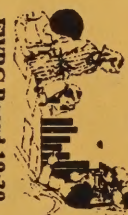
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### Communications Calendar

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| <div>13<br/>Swap Net 19:00<br/>Sloppy Code 21:00<br/>&lt; Europe, OK/OM DX<br/>Allen<br/>Foxhunt<br/>County<br/>13:00</div>  | <div>14</div>  | <div>15<br/>Hunt. ARES 20:00<br/><br/>TNT 20:00<br/><br/>W1AW Qual Run</div>   | <div>16<br/><br/>Whitley ARES 19:15</div>                        | <div>17</div>  | <div>18<br/><br/>FWRC Meeting 19:30</div> | <div>19<br/>Hunt. ARES 20:00<br/><br/>ARRL Phone Sweep &gt;</div>   |
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Check QST and CQ for Contest Times and Rules

(Times listed are in Eastern Standard Time GMT-5 hours)

[Key: > Event begins < Event ends]

NET FREQS: TNT 146.76 Murphy Swap 146.94 Sloppy Code 7.1405 Huntington ARES 146.685 Whitley ARES 147.150

Daily Nets: Ft Wayne 6m 50.58 (simplex) 19:00 | IMO Traffic 146.88 18:30 | 21 Repeater Group 147.150 21:00 | Auburn 147.360 18:00



# The Hamsplatter

A Newsletter for the Fort Wayne Radio Club Members

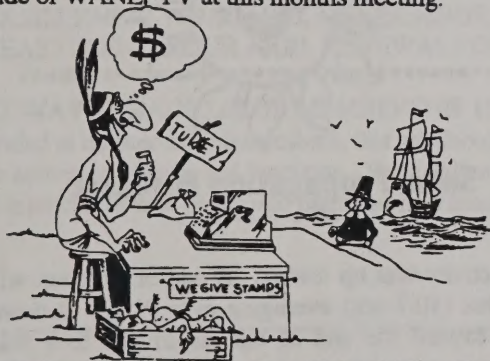
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## Cliff's Notes:

What do you want on your tombstone? Extra cheese? I guess you would have had to been there to realize we had a great time at last months election meeting. Congratulations to the newly elected President Carl Rittenhouse N9NRO, and the new Board of Directors. The new year is approaching fast.

This months meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club will be held on Friday Nov 18th. The meeting will start at 7:30 sharp! The reason being that the entire group will be headed to television station WANE-TV 15 for a deluxe tour, compliments of Frank Moore WA1URA. We need to be at the station at 8:30pm. We will be divided into two groups so everyone can get a good look and be able to ask questions. Frank's chief engineer says he will show us the "guts" of the operation including a spare final transistor sitting in its crate by the transmitter. Take an outsiders look at the inside of WANE-TV at this months meeting.

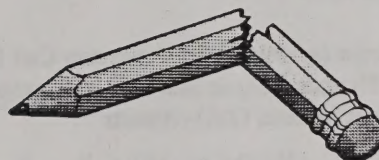


November is here and the official kick off of the holiday season is just around the corner. The time of year we give thanks, and enjoy good food, family and friends. Being President of the club this year has really kept me busy but I'm thankful for all of the good friendships I have found. I guess one doesn't have to look far to realize how thankful we should be. My wish to all is for a very enjoyable and safe Thanksgiving with all of the trimmings. And remember when you sit down and begin to cut into that fresh baked pumpkin pie I would like to have two scoops of ice cream on mine! Gobble, Gobble..... "Saloon for Now"

Cliffie N9MKB

## November Door Prize

The November meeting door prize will be awarded to the **fifteenth** person to meet our President-Elect, Carl Rittenhouse, prior to the meeting.



## October 1994 Minutes

*The following are the recorded minutes of the Fort Wayne Radio Club:*

The meeting was called to order on October 21, 1994 at 7:50 pm by President Cliff Shreve N9MKB.

**Old Business:** Members who had not received their club handbook were instructed to see Cliff in order to get one. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Jean Anderson N9PXF and stood approved as read.

Treasurers report: \$208.00 was spent to Grange Insurance Company for club insurance. A check had been presented to the club for \$4101.59 by the Hamfest chairman as the income from the hamfest this year.

**New Business:** ACART's Hamfest is November 19 and 20. The club has 2 tables, Q18 and Q19. A call for volunteers to man the tables was made and a sign up sheet was passed around. Anyone else wishing to add their name should call Cliff Shreve 483-7570 and let him know the day and what time you can help.

\* The club books need to be audited. Bruce Jaquish WB8UGV, Dave Evans N9LOV, and Dick Erwin N9NBA will serve on the committee to audit the books for the past two year timeframe.

\* Club jacket ordering was brought up for discussion before the club by Cliff. He said he has had several people express an interest to him for a club jacket.



## October Minutes (Cont)

Kathy Raptis WB9DGA approached the club to purchase software which would embroider the club logo on jackets. The embroidered logo will have greater durability over the "iron-on" transfers used in the past. Walt Wood made motion the club pay the \$130.00 set up fee for the club logo software. Kris Staller seconded the motion. Motion carried. Carl Foust brought up a discussion on Coat standards. Kathy will have samples of club jackets at the November club meeting and asks for a 50% deposit at the time the order is placed. Various options are available, such as call signs, club & ARRL logos, name, etc. Kathy can give you the cost according to what you want on your coat.

\* Christmas Banquet: Kathy Raptis made motion that the club pay for the meat dishes and the auxiliary pick up the side dishes and drink for the Christmas Dinner. This will make the dinner no cost to the members of the club.

\* The door prize (a 1994 North American Call Book) was won by Thomas Putman and Bill Hall, who both tied for the most "eyeball QSO contacts".

### ELECTIONS:

The meeting was turned over to Bill Hall WD9HII chairman of the election committee. John Goller K9UWA made motion to open nominations from the floor. Jim Pliett K9OMA asked that his name be withdrawn for the running of president. Carl Foust seconded the motion. Dave Evans N9LOV withdrew his name from the nominations of vice president, but wanted to remain on the slate for the board. Cliff Shreve nominated Walt Wood N9AVR for board. Jean Anderson nominated Ron Bishop N9HZH for board. Bob Rose W9BRW moved that nominations be closed. Bill Kindred WA9RAP seconded the motion. With one candidate nominated for each officer position, the chairman asked for a motion that the Secretary to cast a unanimous vote to elect the officers by acclamation. Dick Erwin N9BNA made motion to elect the officers by acclamation. Mary Rose KB9HIO seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

THE NEW OFFICERS FOR 1995 are as follows:

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Carl Rittenhouse N9NRO | President         |
| Cliff Shreve N9MKB     | Vice President    |
| Al Burke WB9SSE        | Secretary         |
| Scott Sides N9PXG      | Treasurer         |
| Kris Staller KF9AW     | Comm Mgr & Editor |

The following ran for Board of Directors (\*- elected):

|              |          |
|--------------|----------|
| Carole Burke | WB9RUS * |
| Larry Burke  | N9HVP    |
| Dave Evans   | N9LOV *  |
| Ray Cronin   | N9KI     |
| Walt Wood    | N9AVR *  |
| Ron Bishop   | N9HZH *  |

Bill asked for volunteers for IRCC members. Bob Rose W9BRW, Bill Hall WD9HII, Bill Kindred WA9RAP, Todd Hargis N9XK?, Jim Pliett K9OMA, Ann Pliett KA9YYI, Carl Foust WA9ZIF, Kris Staller KF9AW, Karla Staller N9XKM, Dee Kindred KB9HII, and Homer Evans WA9ALY volunteered for nomination. Carl Foust WA9ZIF made motion we accept the IRCC nominations by acclamation. Kathy Raptis WB9DGA seconded the motion. Motion carried

### PROGRAM:

The program was on Tomb Stone Stories, presented by the "Tombstone Lady". It was found to be interesting and unusual by all. By the end of the program, we found out that she is Mary Shreve, Cliff's mother! If you missed this program, you missed another one of the many great programs that Cliff has lined up this year.

Next months program will be a tour of the WANE-TV channel 15 station by Frank Moore, WA1URA.

*Respectfully submitted, Jean Anderson, N9PXF*

## STOLEN RIG ALERT

Scott Sides N9PXG had his radio stolen from his vehicle. It is a 2 meter radio model number HTX202 form radio shack Serial number 0033504. Notify Scott if you come across it.



## Solar Propagation Forecast

ARRL - KT7H

Solar activity was up toward the end of October, with solar flux (10.7 cm) averaging over 91.8. It downgraded toward the end of the month due to a solar flare and recurring coronal hole. The solar flux should decline down to around 80 around November 5 and 6, and then rise back to 90 before the middle of the month.

The path projection for this report is from Portland, Oregon to Pitcairn Island: 80 meters looks good from 0300z to 1330z, and 40 meters from 0230z to 1400z. Check 30 meters from 0130z to 1500z. 20 meters should be open from 1500z to 1800z and again from 2300z to 0330z. There may be openings between those times, but with weaker signals. 17 meters looks good from 1600z to 0200z, and 15 meters from 1700z to 0030z. 12 meters should be open from 1900z to 2300z. 10 meters should be open on many days from 2000z to 2200z





WORD IS THE CITY HAS HIRED SOME BIG  
GUY TO ENFORCE THE ANTENNA HEIGHT  
ORDINANCES



Do you have an interesting article, news item, or cartoon which you can contribute to the Hamsplatter? Do you have some spare equipment collecting dust that you want to sell? If so, please contact me, Kris, KF9AW. My day phone is 487-3286, evenings 486-7324. Packet messages can be directed to me on 144.91, cluster KR9U or K1FJ-2, or on 144.97, W9INX.

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1994 MEMBERSHIP DATA: (Give this form to the treasurer at any FWRC meeting or mail to address below)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CALL \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS:    N    T    G    A    E

MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

HOME TELEPHONE # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK TELEPHONE # ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

SHALL WE LIST YOUR ADDR/PHONE# IN MEMBER ROSTER?    Y    N ARRL MEMBER?    Y    N

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MEMBERSHIP TERM: (JAN-DEC) (JULY-DEC, July 1-Dec 31 ONLY)

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ \$21.00/yr \$10.50/yr immediate family(list all calls)

REGULAR MEMBERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00/yr \$7.50/yr licensed member

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 6.00/yr \$3.00/yr full time student

ASSOCIATE MEMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00/yr \$7.50/yr unlicensed member

YOUR CHECK NUMBER # \_\_\_\_\_ PLEASE PAY BY CHECK, IT'S EASIER FOR BOTH OF US!

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PLEASE RENEW YOUR ARRL MEMBERSHIP THROUGH THE FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB, INC.

ITS EASY! SEND YOUR ARRL RENEWAL FORM AND A CHECK (payable to FWRC) TO THE CLUB.

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FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOK (CIRCLE THIS PARAGRAPH TO RESERVE ONE!)

Provided at no cost to club members, this handbook provides a full set of information about present and past Club activities, events, and functions. The handbook is available in a clear cover binder, and is upgradeable by easy insertion of new pages into the three-hole binder.

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## DX News Summary

- KB8NW/OPDX/BARF-80 BBS

A6, U.A.E. Don, WB2DND, will be visiting Dubai from November 11-16th. Look for him on 20 meters at 1300z on either 14025 or 14090 (RTTY). Also, he will concentrate on 80/160 meters each morning at 0200z. On 14240 kHz at 2100z, he has a sked with his father and son each day and he will take callers after their QSO.

BV, TAIWAN. WB4IUX reports he will be in Taiwan either during the November 7/8/9 or November 16/17/18 timeframe, and is working feverishly on getting permission to operate. If he can secure this permission, he plans to operate in the 7008-7012 and 3508-3512 frequency bands.

CO9, CAYO CAGUAMA, CUBA. A group of hams from Cuba and Portugal will activate CO9OTA in the archipelago Jardines de la Reina between November 7-9th.

EY NEWS (TAJIKISTAN). Nodir, EY8MM, mentions he and others will also plan to be active during CQ WW CW Contest as EY3A. The team will consist of EY8MM, WW, QX, CQ, JX and UA3AB. They may operate as M/M or M/S.

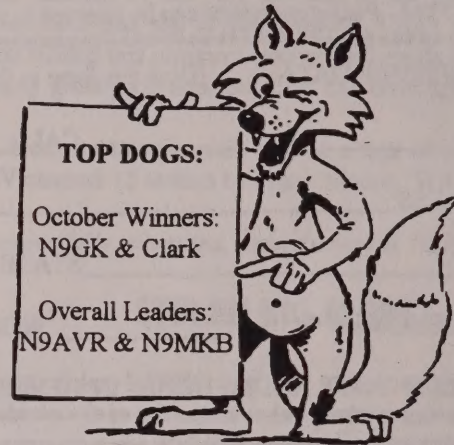
During the month of November, the special callsign EY70D will be used to celebrate 70th anniversary of Dushanbe City. QSL via DL8WN.

HS, THAILAND. Fred, K3ZO/HS0ZAR, has just returned from HS-land to report that the members of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand are busy planning major efforts in the CQWW CW contest. Look for HS7AS and HS0AC.

SU, EGYPT. There have been reports that SU2MT will be active in the CQWW CW contest as a Multi/Single entry. Meanwhile, look for him on 15 meters around 1200z or 20 meters between 1700 and 2000z.

ST0, SOUTHERN SUDAN. John, PA3CXC, is once again active as PA3CXC/ST0. This trip it seems that he is concentrating mostly on CW, the WARC bands and 40 meters (few spots on 15 meters). Check around 18075 kHz between 1800 and 2200z, 7005 kHz around 0315z and 21020 kHz after 2200z. His length of stay is unknown at this time. QSL via his homecall.

YI, IRAQ. Robert, N4VZ, in a QSO with YI9CW, found out that the YI station's current license does not authorize him to use 30 meters. YI9CW states that he has applied for the authorization and that he is hoping he will receive it at the first of the year.



## Allen County Fox Hunt

Due to the FoxHunt occurring after press time, no report of the event will be available until next month. Cliff, however, has submitted a poem (He's a poet and doesn't know it!) about the art of fox hunting, titled,

### WAITIN' ON JIM

We've been waitin on Jim, ever since we can recall;  
We started in the Spring, and now it's almost Fall.  
We've had us a bite, we've had us a brew;  
Walt got some shuteye, and I got some too.  
While I'm out taking pictures, by myself all alone;  
Walt's on the radio, or on that darn phone.  
But we'll keep on waitin, although we're not pleased;  
Has the mighty Doppler malfunctioned,  
or has Jim lost his keys?

-Cliff, N9MKB

The FWRC FoxHunt is Sunday, Nov. 13th, at 1:00pm at the Allen County Fairgrounds. The fox will be Vic Keller N9GK and his partner Clark. These guys ought to know what their doing because Vic just got back from a vacation in Australia where he was hunting kangaroos. Jump in the car and join in the fun on a Sunday afternoon. Everyone is welcome whether you have equipment or not. Always plenty of time for some good food and gab afterwards. The fox will be on 146.43 MHz.